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In re: Cheng

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Examiner: Brinson, Patrick F.

For: A PIPE FOR TRANSPORTING AUTOMOBILE FLUIDS, THE PIPE
COMPRISING A SMOOTH INNER TUBE AND A CORRUGATED
OUTER TUBE

Docket No.: 60,680-887

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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SUMMARY OF INTERVIEW PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.133(B)

Dear Sir:

This paper is responsive to an Interview on January 30, 2006 and the Interview Summary mailed to Applicant on February 6, 2006.

REMARKS

A telephonic Interview was conducted on January 30, 2006 between Examiner Patrick F. Brinson and Applicant's undersigned attorney. No exhibits were shown or demonstrations conducted, and no prior art was discussed. During the Interview, the previously agreed upon amendment of claim 1 from "based on" to "made of" was discussed.

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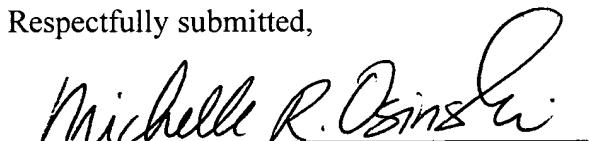
I hereby certify that this Summary of Interview Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.133(B) is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail, postage prepaid, in an envelope addressed to Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450 on this 14th day of February, 2006.


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Applicant's attorney noted that there was a concern that the previously agreed upon amendment may be construed to be limiting, for example, to mean "made exclusively of" or "consisting of" when such limiting language was not the intention of the amendment. Rather, the amendment was made for clarification. The Examiner proposed substituting "comprising of" which would not be subject to such a narrow interpretation as "made exclusively of" or "consisting of." The Applicants' attorney agreed to "comprising" or "comprised of" to clarify the claim and also to avoid an overly narrow construction of the amendment since "comprising" or "comprised of" has a readily understood meaning in the area of patent law that is inconsistent with "made exclusively of" or "consisting of."

This document is being submitted to comply with the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 1.133(b) and within one month of the date of the interview. If the Examiner has any further questions or concerns, the Examiner is invited to contact the Applicant's undersigned attorney.

Respectfully submitted,


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